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In re Application of: )  
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Yutaka HASEGAWA et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1764  
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P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants hereby petition for a one month extension of time to reply to the Office  
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Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge  
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